

Proclamation

Presented to

The American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc.

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. were founded by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, and since 1995 many years has been dedicated to helping children diagnosed with cancer and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. recognize that cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States, and that this tragic disease is detected in nearly 15,000 of our nation's youth each year; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, Mattel Children's Hospital at Ronald Reagan-UCLA Medical Center, Miller Children's Hospital-Long Beach, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country including in Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc., though their uniquely sensitive and comforting Magical Caps for Kids program, distributes thousands of beautifully handmade caps and decorated baseball caps to children who want to protect their heads following trauma of chemotherapy, surgery and/or radiation treatments; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. also sponsor nationwide Courageous Kid recognition award ceremonies and hospital celebrations in honor of children's determination and bravery to battling childhood cancer; and


WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. will be celebrated nationwide throughout the month of September 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 2013 as

"CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

in Hawai'i and urge the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. for their efforts to provide free, clear, independent information and research that enables children and their families to make smarter choices for cancer treatment, with an emphasis on dignity, functionality, and finding a cure for childhood cancer.

DONE, at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twentieth day of August 2013.


NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i


SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i